THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) No Sir, there were no vacancies till May, 2000, due to increase in the age of superannuation from 58 to 60 years, against which the eligible candidates could be considered for promotion to the post of senior Finance and Accounts Officer (Selection Grade)/Deputy Financial Advisor. Further, as a consequence of the decision taken by the CSIR Society to demerge the cadres of Finance, Administration and Store & Purchase at the level of Deputy Secretary and above, the exercise for refixing the cadre strength of the respective cadres is already underway. DPCs for various posts at the level of Deputy Secretary including the posts in the grade of Senior Finance & Accounts Officer (Selection Grade)/Deputy Financial Advisor can follow the conclusion of the exercise relating to demerger of cadres.

Compassionate appointments in CRRI

2312. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: SHRI R. S. GAVAI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria for compassionate appointments in CRRI:
- (b) the details of compassionate appointments made by CRRI and applications turned down/kept on hold since 1998, alongwith the financial position of deceased employees;
- (c) whether Government are aware that wards of drivers of CRRI who died in 1998 are not being given compassionate appointments, whereas awards of other personnel who died later, have been provided with appointments;
 - (d) the reasons behind this biased treatment; and
- (e) by when Government would provide compassionate appointments to all the applicants?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) All requests of compassionate appointments are considered/screened by a duly constituted Compassionate Appointments Committee (CAC) which looks into:

- (i) vacancy position;
- (ii) percentage restriction with reference to overall available vacancies;
- (iii) assets and liabilities left behind by the deceased employee; and
- (iv) the terminal dues paid to family of such employees. Recommendations of the CAC are considered for approval or otherwise by the competent authority.
- (b) A statement showing details of compassionate appointments made by CRRI and the applications turned down/kept on hold in 1998 and after alongwith the financial position of the deceased employees is annexed. (See below)
- (c) to (e) Compassionate appointments are not made on the basis of occupation/designation of the deceased employee. Each request received in 1998 and after, including that of the Driver referred to in question for Compassionate appointment, has been considered on merit and strictly in accordance with the guidelines on the subject by a duly constituted CAC. Based on the recommendations of the CAC the Competent Authority accords approval or otherwise to the requests.

STATEMENT A Details of appointments made on compassionate grounds

	(i) Name of deceased employee with designation(ii) dt. of death	(i) Name of the appointee (ii) Date of appointment	Financial position and Liabilities
1.	i. Late S.C. Sharma UDC ii. 04.09.1996	i Abhinav Sharma ii. 14.12.1998	i Rs. 43,985 Rs. 2168 F/Pension ii. The wife of deceased employees expired before his death. Two unmarried sons and one unmarried daughter. Mother of deceased employees.
2.	i. Late Sh. Raj Kapoor Safaiwala ii. 21.10.1996	i. Ms. Sheela Devi ii. 18.03.1998	_
3.	i. Late Namdev Lib.Gr.II(4) ii. 17.02.1998		i. Rs. 3,86,142 Rs. 3799 F/Pension ii. The wife of deceased employees expired before his death. One unmarried son and daughter
4.	i. Late Ithal Rao Gr.D (Non. Tech.) ii. 25.6.1998	i. Ms. Sumitra Bai ii. 15.10.1998	0

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5.	i. Late R.S. Saini Technic an-II Gr- I(3) ii. 20.1).1998		i. Rs. 69,506 Rs. 1675 F/Pension ii. Two minor children and father of deceased employee.
6.	i. Late Mahinder Technician-II Gr- I(3) ii. 29.01.1999		i. Rs. 64,435 Rs. 1675 F/Pension ii. Five minor children and father of deceased em- ployees.
7.	i. Late Balwan Technician-II GrI(3) ii. 28.04.2000	i.Ms. Raj Bala ii. 27.07.2000	i. Rs.56,172 Rs. 1275 F/Pension ii. Four minor children and father of deceased employee.
	B. Details of cases to	irned down/kept on	hold since 1998
1.	i. Late Satish Kumar Sientist-E-I ii. 04.02.1998	Rejected wife is in Govt. service & got huge benefits	
2.*	i. Late Ved Varat Driver GrII(3) ii. 15.08.1998	Rejected Got huge amount No liability	i. Rs. 4,01,137 Rs. 2875 F/Pension ii. One Married Son
3.	i. Late Kushal Singh Gr.D(Non-Tech) ii. 16.12.1998	Rejected He attained age of 58 yrs. Son educated. M.A. Passed.	i. Rs. 80,416 Rs. 1585 F/Pension ii. One unmarried (Major son)

^{*}Case details of the driver referred to in the question.

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4.	i. Late Virender Kr. JTA Gr-III(I) ii. 12.2.1999	Rejected He was unmarried.	i. Rs. 36,6% 0 ii. Dependent father. mother, Two unmarried brother. & One unmarried sister.
5.	i. Late Mani Ram Tech.Gr-VI ii. 7.2.1999	Rejected Involved in crimin al case including applicant.	i. Benefits yet not settled.
6.	i. Late S.D. Murthy Dy. SPO ii. 09.07.1998	Rejected Wife is bank employees.	i. Rs. 2,11,780 Rs. 3350 F/Pension ii. One daughter & One son (Minor)
7.	 i. Sh. Mange Ram Tech.Grii 1(3) ii. 16.08.1999 	Rejected Applicant is over aged & Married. No liability	i. Rs. 87,298 ii. Rs. 1575 F/ Pension
₹.,	i. Late Mam ChandFarash (Non Tech)ii. 23.01.2000		i. Rs. 1,31,000 Rs. 1275 F/Pension ii. Four minor children
9.	i. Late Jagdish Pd. Helper 'B' ii. 28.05.2000	Yet to be considered	i. Rs. 57,000 Rs. 1275 F/Pension ii. Four minor children

Test flight of SARAS

- 2313. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that India's first indigenously built light transport aircraft SARAS will be ready for its test flight by the end of the current year; if so, the details thereof;